

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

~~NICKEL-BASED~~ Ni BASED ALLOY WITH EXCELLENT CORROSION RESISTANCE
~~IN TO INORGANIC ACID-CONTAINING SUPERCRITICAL WATER ENVIRONMENTS~~
CONTAINING INORGANIC ACIDS

Following the title, please insert the following paragraphs:

Cross-Reference to Prior Application

This is a U.S. national phase application under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP03/00075 filed January 8, 2003, and claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2002-1217 filed January 8, 2002; 2002-1218 filed January 8, 2002; 2002-232838 filed August 9, 2002 and 2002-232847 filed August 9, 2002 which are incorporated by reference herein. The International Application was published in Japanese on July 17, 2003 as WO 03/057933 A1 under PCT Article 21(2).